



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

HONGO et al.

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Title: PLASMA PROCESSING APPARATUS HAVING AN EVACUATING
ARRANGEMENT TO EVACUATE GAS FROM A GAS-INTRODUCING PART OF
A PROCESS CHAMBER

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2002, Applicants provisionally elect
Group I, claims 1-9, with traverse.

In view of the above, it is believed this application is in condition for allowance, in
such a notice is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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